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EXAMINER: John R. Paradiso
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SERIAL NO.: 10/723,451
FILING DATE: November 26, 2003
INVENTORS: Horst BÖCKER, Berthold PAROTH, and
Ulrich SCHOLZ
TITLE: BEVERAGE BOTTLING PLANT FOR FILLING BEVERAGE
BOTTLES OR OTHER BEVERAGE CONTAINERS WITH A
LIQUID BEVERAGE FILLING MATERIAL AND AN
ARRANGEMENT FOR DIVIDING AND SEPARATING OF A
STREAM OF BEVERAGE BOTTLES OR OTHER BEVERAGE
CONTAINERS

Greensburg, Pennsylvania 15601

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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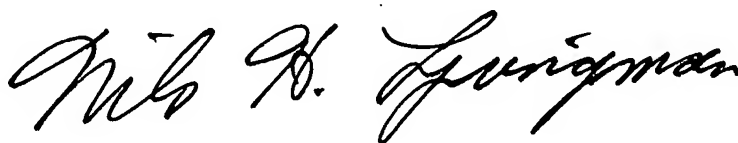
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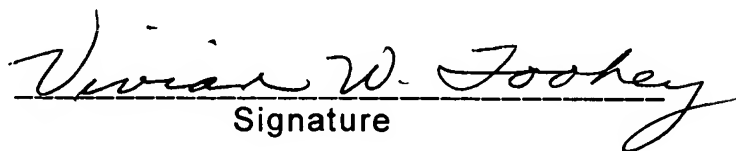
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ELECTION AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Action dated April 7, 2005, please
enter the following Election and Preliminary Amendment.